

REMARKS

This paper is responsive to the Notice of Allowance mailed June 9, 2008. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the allowance of Claims 1-22, 24, and 26-37. This amendment is submitted together with a Seventh Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement citing Office Actions that issued in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/802,169 (now U.S. Patent No. 7,398,244) and U.S. Patent Application No. 11/515,362, as well as International Search Reports and International Preliminary Examination Reports that issued in PCT Application Nos. PCT/US01/10711, PCT/US01/10712, PCT/US01/10721, and PCT/US01/10725, which claimed priority from the present application.

Applicant has amended the specification to include a Cross-Reference to Related Applications section. Applicant has also added new Claims 38 and 39, which are system claims written in means plus function form. Claims 1-22, 24, and 26-39 are now pending in the application. Applicant submits that Claims 38 and 39 are in allowable condition for at least the same reasons that Claims 1 and 12 are patentable over the prior art. Support for new Claims 38 and 39 is found throughout the application as filed, including, for example, page 4, lines 14-22; page 5, lines 13-21; and page 8, lines 16-23.

Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance and requests notification of the same at an early date.

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